

Local Work Group Development of Local EQIP.

_____East Polk County_____ District FY08 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Pasture conditions and grazing concerns
Soil Erosion
Water Quality
Wastewater/CNMP
Habitat Improvement
Invasive species problems

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

N/A

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

1. Applications with prescribed grazing practices.
2. Applications addressing water quality.
3. Applications addressing soil erosion.

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

1. Soil Erosion. Does the application install one or more of the following practices: 362, 410, or 638?-Yes? 14 points

2. Soil Erosion and Water Quality. Will the application install practices that result in the implementation of a prescribed grazing system? Yes? 12 points

3. Non-point source pollution. Will the application implement 360 or 472? Yes? 7 points

4. Declining wildlife habitat. Will the application implement 643 or 645? Yes? 4 points

5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.
6. Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.
7. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 08 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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10-11-2007 East Polk County EQIP 2008 LWG meeting	
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